Loans for building of godowns

† 844. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various Co-operative institutions of Maharashtra have made plans of building 5000 godowns in rural areas of the State;

(b) whether if is also a fact that Nationalised Banks are not giving loans to these rural godowns promoted by Government;

(c) whether if is also a fact that despite the issuance of directions to the banks for providing easy loans to, agriculture sector, banks are not giving loans for building godowns;

(d) whether Government would issue instructions to the Banks in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and-

(t) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) NABARD has ascertained from the Director, Maharasntra State Agriculture and Marketing Board (MSAMB) that a target for facilitating construction of 5000 Rural Godowns both in Co-operative and Private Sector, before 31st March, 2007 has been proposed. Of these, 4812 godowns are under implementation. Majority of these proposals have been implemented by individuals.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) NABARD has already issued instructions to the banks for financing of rural godowns, on 12th April, 2002. The details of the scheme are available at NABARD's website—

www.nabard.org/what'snew/circular

(f) Does not arise.

Collection of taxes

† 845. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have collected a revenue of

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